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May 9, 2023

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## **Re:** EXEMPTION APPROVAL

EXEMPTION: #E-009-23 - Midway Eye Center, S. C.

EXEMPTION HOLDERS: Midwest Eye Center, S.C., EyeCare Services Partners

Holdings, LLC, ESP Topco, LLC

OPERATING ENTITY/LICENSEE: Midway Eye Center, S.C.

SITE OWNERSHIP: Calumet City MOB, LP

Dear Mr. Fahey:

On April 28, 2023, the Chairwoman of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board ("State Board") acting on behalf of the State Board approved your request for a change of ownership of Midway Eye Center, S. C. located at 1700 East West Road, Calumet, Illinois. The approval was based upon the application's compliance with applicable provisions of 77 IAC 1130. The change of ownership is among related persons that does not result in a licensed being issued to an entity different from the current licensee. The Surgery Center is authorized to perform ophthalmology surgical services.

You are reminded that this exemption for a change of ownership of a health care facility shall be invalid if the exemption holder fails to submit a statement to the Board within 90 days after the closing date of the transaction, or such longer period as provided by the Board, certifying that the change of ownership has been completed in accordance with the key terms contained in the application. If such key terms of the transaction change, a new application is required. [20 ILCS 3960/8.5(a)] Failure to provide the required notification shall subject the exemption holder to the sanctions provided under Section 14 of the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act. The exemption holder is also reminded that 77 IAC 1130.140 defines transactions that constitute a change of ownership of a health care facility. You should become familiar with those definitions.

The State Board's approval does not exempt the transaction from any other regulatory, certification or licensure requirements that may be applicable prior to acquisition. The exemption will be invalid should the facility for which the change of ownership was granted cease to be an existing health care facility.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mike Constantino or George Roate of

my staff at Mike.Constantino@illinois.gov or George.Roate@illinois.gov or 217.782.3516

Sincerely,

John P. Kniery Administrator

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board